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DR. TALMAGE'S WORDS OF CHEER

The Rank and File of the Lord's Soldiery Need Especial Help-Let Us Be Content With God's Gifts-The Ponalty of Greatness Outweighs the Joy.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.-Dr. Talmage in this discourse calls the roll of of our cities, towns, villages and neigh-faithful men and noble women in all borhoods side by side, and you will find departments who are unrecognized and that they sell less than a hundred thou-

spicuous; text, Romans xvi, 14, 15, "Sa-

Clark, Thomas Scott and all the com- looking at him. Gray hairs at 30; a mentators pass by these verses without any especial remark. The other 20 peonarian. No time to attend to improved ple mentioned in the chapter were dis- dentistry; the grinders cease because tinguished for something and were they are few. Actually dying of old age therefore discussed by the illustrious ex-positors, but nothing is said about the meridian! Many of these business Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermas, Patrobas, men have bodies like a neglected clock Hermes, Philologus and Julia. Where to which you come, and when you wind were they born? No one knows. When it up it begins to buzz and roar, and did they die? There is no record of their then the hands start around very rapidguished? Absolutely nothing, or the and strikes without any sense, and then trait of character would have been brought out by the apostle. If they had been very intrepid or opulent or hirsute ed clock, and, though by some summer or musical of cadence or crass of style or recreation it may be wound up, still the in any wise anomalous, that feature machinery is all out of gear. The hands would have been caught by the apostolic turn around with a velocity that excites camera. But they were good people, because Paul sends to them his high Christian regards. They were ordinary people, moving in ordinary sphere, attending to ordinary duty and meeting they strike 10 when they ought to strike ordinary responsibilities.

For the Rank and File. What the world wants is a religion for ordinary people. If there be in the United States 70,000,000 people, there are certainly not more than 1,000,000 and pivots and weights and balance extraordinary, and then there are 69,-000,000 ordinary, and we do well to turn our backs for a little while upon the distinguished and conspicuous people of the Bible and consider in our text the seven ordinary. We spend too much of our time in twisting garlands for remarkables, and building thrones for magnates, and sculpturing warriors, and apotheosizing philanthropists. The rank and file of the Lord's soldiery need

especial help.

The vast majority of people will never lead an army, will never write a state constitution, will never electrify a senate, will never make an important invention, will never introduce a new philosophy, will never decide the fate of a nation. You do not expect to, you do not want to. You will not be a Moses to lead a nation out of bondage. You will not be a Joshua to prolong the daylight until you can shut five kings in a cavern. You will not be a St. John to unroll an Apocalypse. You will not be a Paul to preside over an apostolic college. You will not be a Mary to mother a Christ. You will more probably be Asyncritus, or Phlegon, or Hermas, or Patrobas, or riermes, or Patrol

ogus, or Julia.

Many of you are women at the head for the day. The culinary department sands of business men have today— and who has sent ten thousand doctors gets honey out of a thistle; but happiof the household is in your dominion.
You decide all questions of diet. All rou decide all questions of diet. All pay or do not pay, whether tariff is up mercy I invoke the thousands of men rhododendron of the hills, but from the are under your supervision. To regulate the food and the apparel and the habits and decide the thousand questions of home life is a tax upon brain and nerve

and general health absolutely appalling if there be no divine alleviation.

Needs of the Human Race. It does not help you much to be told that Elizabeth Fry did wonderful things amid the criminals at Newgate. It does not help you much to be told that Mrs. | who in arctic clime, or in ocean storm, Judson was very brave among the Bor- or in day of battle, or in hospital agonesian cannibals. It does not help you nies did the brave thing, not realizing very much to be told that Florence that they, the enthusiastic spectators, extraordinary. I am tired and sick and Nightingale was very kind to the wounded in the Crimea. It would be life that are just as great before God. better for me to tell you that the divine friend of Mary and Martha is your friend, and that he sees all the annoyances and disappointments and abrasions and exasperations of an ordinary housekeeper from morn till night, and from the first day of the year until the last day of the year, and at your call

They who provide the food of the world decide the health of the world. Lydia of Thyatira to sell the dry goods You have only to go on some errand and who opened a bakery and fish maramid the taverus and the hotels of the ket in the wilderness of Asia Minor to United States and Great Britain to ap- feed the 7,000 who had come out on a steady illumination better is a lamp preciate the fact that a vast multitude | religious picnic and who counts the of the human race are slaughtered by hairs of your head with as much particincompetent cookery. Though a young ularity as though they were the plumes woman may have taken lessons in music | of a coronation, and who took the trouand may have taken lessons in painting | ble to stoop down with his finger writand lessons in astronomy, she is not ing on the ground, although the first well educated unless she has taken les- shuffle of feet obliterated the divine sons in dough. They who decide the caligraphy, and who knows just how apparel of the world and the food of the many locusts there were in the Egyp world decide the endurance of the world. | tian plague, and knew just how may An unthinking man may consider it ravens were necessary to supply Elijah's a matter of little importance, the cares | pantry by the brook Cherith, and who, of the household and the economies of as floral commander, leads forth all the domestic life, but I tell you the earth is strewn with the martyrs of kitchen and daffodils, hyacinths and lilies which nursery. The health shattered woman- pitch their tents of beauty and kindle bood of America cries out for a God their campfires of color all around the who can help ordinary women in the ordinary duties of housekeeping. The God knows the most minute affairs of wearing, grinding, unappreciated work your business life and however incongoes on, but the same Christ who stood | siderable, understanding all the affairs on the bank of Galilee in the early of that woman who keeps a thread and morning and kindled the fire and had the fish already cleaned and broiling a Rothschild and a Baring. when the sportsmen stepped ashore, chilled and hungry, will help every woman to prepare breakfast, whether by and we immediately shoot off to talk her own hand or the hand of her _ired | help. The God who made indestructible eulogy of Hannah, who made a coat for Samuel, her son, and carried it to the

temple every year, will help every woman in preparing the family wardrobe.

The God who opens the Bible with the The God w The God who opens the Bible with the story of Abraham's entertainment by Perhaps none of them will be senators. crown of thorns. Take the few extraor- in the crevices of the mortar on the back the three angels on the plains of Mamre if any of them have dictatorships, it will help every woman to provide hos- will be over 40 or 50 or 100 acres of the what abuse comes upon them, while and forms a leafy canopy over the stone pitality, however rare and embarrass- old homestead. What these men want thousands of stockholders escape. New form of the old knight as cut on the ing. It is high time that some of the is grace to keep their patience while York Central railroad had 9,265 stocking. It is high time that some of the attention we have been giving to the plowing with balky oxen and to keep holders. If anything in that railroad attention we have been giving to the plowing with balky oxen and to keep holders. If anything in that railroad cheerful amid the drought that destroys affronted the people, all the abuse came markable for their virtue or their want the corn crop and that enables them to down on one man and the 9,264 csremarkable women of the Bible-remarkable for their deeds—
of it or remarkable for their deeds—
Deborah and Jezebel and Herodias and
Deborah and Jezebel and Herodias and Deboran and Jezeper and Merodias and the Marys, ex-Athana and Dorcas and the marys, excellent and abandoned—it is high time gone through the Lima bean patch and the ground. Over 17,000 stockholders cake.

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Then there are all the ordinary busi-

ness men. They need divine and Chris-

tian help. When we begin to talk about business life, we shoot right off and talk about men who did business on a large scale and who sold millions of dollars of goods a year, and the vast majority of business men do not sell a million [Copyright, 1898, by American Press Association.] dollars of goods, nor half a million, nor the eighth part of a million. Put all the business men unrewarded and sounds encouragement for those who do work in spheres inconmen in ordinary business life want divine help. You see how the wrinkles Hute Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermas, Patrobas, Hermes, Philologus and Julia."

Matthew Henry, Albert Barnes, Adam not tell how old a business man is by For what were they distin- ly, and the clock strikes 5 or 10 or 40, suddenly stops. So is the body of that 5, and they strike 12 when they ought to strike 6, and they strike 40 when they ought to strike nothing, and sudwheels of health are completely deranged. The human clock is simply run down, and at the time when the steady hand ought to be pointing to the industrious hours on a clear and sunlit dial the whole machinery of body, mind and earthly capacity stops forever. Oak Hill and Greenwood have thousands of

business men who died of old age at 30, 35, 40, 45. Wants of Business Life. Now, what is wanted is grace-dimen who are harnessed from morn till all circumstances and amid all vicissi- crises of pain they have been next to tudes. That is the kind of grace we God in benefaction.

may have it for the asking. Some hero or heroine comes to town, and as the hold, in merchandise, in everything. I procession passes through the street the salute across the centuries Asyncritus, business men come out, stand on tiptoe Phlegon, Hermas, Patrobas, Hermes, on their store step and look at some one have gone through trials in business bored almost to death with extraor-There are men who have gone through to tell us how very extraordinary they freezing arctics and burning torrids and really are. You know as well as I do, awful Marengos of experiences with-

step. Now, what ordinary business men need is to realize that they have the friendship of that Christ who looked he is ready with help and re-enforceafter the religious interests of Matthew, the custom house clerk, and helped needle store as well as all the affairs of

> Then there are all the ordinary farmers. We talk about agricultural life, about Cincinnatus, the patrician, who went from the plow to a high position, Russia cursing him, Europe cursing still growing from a tomb inside an old and after he got through the dictator- him, North and South America cursing church at Kempsey, near Worcester, ship in 21 days went back again to the him. The most remarkable man of his England. The monument built in the

though again and again and again it has been almost ready for the mow. A grace to doctor the cow with a hollow horn, and the sheep with the foot rot. of life is not so severe on the plain as it horn, and the sheep with the foot rot, and the horse with the distemper and is on the high peaks. The world never to compel the unwilling acres to yield forgives a man who knows or gains or a livelihood for the family, and schooling for the children, and little extras to help the older boy in business, and ery to their children as an inducement something for the daughter's wedding to take bitter medicine, and the world's outfit, and a little surplus for the time when the ankles will get stiff with age, and the breath will be a little short, and the swinging of the cradle through the hot harvest field will bring on the old man's vertigo. Better close up about Cincinnatus. I know 500 farmers just little while before at the top of their as noble as he was. What they want is voice, "Hosanna." The river Rhone is

from the farmer's life, as when he said,

scene of a farmer boy coming back from his wanderings, and the old farm-

house shook that night with rural jubi-

lee, and who compared himself to a

'A sower went forth to sow," as when

Grace in catching weather that en-

ables them, without imprecation, to spread out the hay the third time, al-

lamb in the pasture field, and who said that the eternal God is a farmer, declaring, "My Father is the husband- the great deliverers of the world have hear about Christopher Wren, the ar- stand, a child who shall be potent for chitect who built St. Paul's cathedral. It the ages. Just unroll the scroll of men would be better to tell them how to carry the hod of brick up the ladder without slipping, and how on a cold morn. cabin or poor homes. Genius almost aling with the trowel to smooth off the ways runs out in the third or fourth mortar and keep cheerful, and how to generation. You cannot find in all his be thankful to God for the plain food tory an instance where the fourth gentaken from the pail by the roadside eration of extraordinary people amount Carpenters standing amid the adz, and the bit, and the plane, and the broadax the bit, and the Christ was a carpenter, with his own hand wielding saw and hammer. Oh, this is a tired world, and it is an overworked world, and it is an underfed world, and it is a wrung out world, and men and wom-

en need to know that there are rest and

recuperation in God and in that religion

Next to God. Abercrombies and its Abernethys and its Valentine Motts and its Valentine Motts and its Willard Parkers, but the ordinary physicians do the most of the world's medicining, and At an anniversary of a deaf and dumb they need to understand that while tak- asylum one of the children wrote upon ing diagnosis or prognosis or writing the blackboard words as sublime as the vine grace for ordinary business men, prescription or compounding medica-men who are barnessed from morn till ment or holding the delicate pulse of a vina Commedia" all compressed in one night and all the days of their life—harnessed in business. Not grace to lose \$100,000, but grace to lose \$10. Not grace to supervise 250 employees in a and after he had torn off his garments girl wrote upon the blackboard, "In factory, but grace to supervise the book-keeper and two salesmen and the small body and mind, and who lifted up the land the earth." The examiner asked boy that sweeps out the store. Grace to woman who for 18 years had been bent her, "For what purpose did Christ come invest not the \$80,000 of net profit, but almost double with the rheumatism in- into the world?" The deaf and dumb the \$2,500 of clear gain. Grace not to graceful stature, and who turned the girl wrote upon the blackboard, "This endure the loss of a whole shipload of spices from the Indies, but grace to enion and who rubbed the numbness out acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into dure the loss of a paper of collars from the leakage of a displaced shingle on a displaced shingle on a the closed windows of hereditary or actions and the world to save sinners." The examiner said to her, "Why were you born poor roof. Grace not to endure the tardicidental blindness until the morning deaf and dumb, while I hear and speak? ness of the American congress in pass- light came streaming through the flesh- She wrote upon the blackboard, "Even ing a necessary law, but grace to endure the tardiness of an errunu our storping to play marbles when he ought to deliver the goods. Such a grace as thou-

Come, now, let us have a religion for Millions of men want it, and they ordinary people in professious, in occu-

Philologus and Julia. Unpretentions People. First of all, if you feel that you are ordinary, thank God that you are not dinary people. They take all their time my brother and sister, that the most of hands." out moving five miles from their door- the useful work of the world is done by unpretentious people who toil right on, by people who do not get much approval, and no one seems to say, "That is well done." Phenomena are of but little use. Things that are exceptional cannot be depended on. Better trust the smallest planet that swings in its orbit than ten comets shooting this way and that, imperiling the longevity of worlds

attending to their own business. For than a rocket. Then if you feel that you are ordinary remember that your position invites the | been offered to the cashier of one of the less attack. Conspicuous people how they have to take it! How they are mis | be bogus, and this opinion was confirmrepresented and abused and shot at! The higher the horns of a roeback the easier went there to investigate the matter. to strike him down. What a delicious the bill had partially split in two, and thing it must be to be a candidate for it was supposed to be one of the kind governor of a state or president of the where the front and back are printed United States! It must be so soothing on separate sheets of thin paper by the to the nerves. It must pour into the counterfeiters and then pasted together, soul of a candidate such a sense of with the silk threads between. The bill serenity when he reads the blessed was sent to the treasury officials at newspapers.

army buried in the snows of Russia, one of the most awful tragedies of the centuries, represented under the figure of a mouster called General Frost shaving the French emperor with a razor of icicle. As Satyr and Beelzebub he is represented, page after page, page after growing from the mortar of stone walls page. Eugland cursing him, Spain and on church steeples. It is said that cursing him, Germany cursing him, a horse chestnut several years old is

I mention these things to prove it is extraordinary people who get abused sugar plum precedes the world's aqua fortis. The mob cried in regard to Christ, "Crucify him, crucify him!" and they had to say it twice to be understood, for they were so hoarse, and they got their hoarseness by crying a to know that they have the friendship foul when it enters Lake Leman, but of that Christ who often drew his similes crystalline when it comes out on the other side. But there are men who have entered the bright lake of worldly proshe built his best parable out of the perity crystalline and come out terribly riled. If, therefore, you feel that you are an ordinary, thank God for the de-

fenses and the tranquillity of your posi-

Then remember, if you have only what is called an ordinary home, that all come from such a home. And there Those stone masons do not want to may be seated, reading at your evening from present prospects there never will be in that genealogical line another president for a thousand years. Columbus from a weaver's hut, Demosthenes from a cutler's cellar, Bloomfield and Missionary Carey from a shoemaker's bench, Arkwright from a barber's shop, which was not so much intended for and he whose name is high over all in

Be Content.

earth and air and sky from a manger. extraordinary people as for ordinary people, because there are more of them. Let us all be content with such things The healing profession has had its as we have. God is just as good in what

Nelson's Wonderful Feat. Writers of historical reminiscences have to be masters of a certain amount of accurate information about their heroes if they wish to avoid mistakes.

If they are not, they are sure to "get things mixed." Not long since a reviewer in the Lon don Times, writing of a book named 'Roving Commissions," related on his own account the following episode of Nelson, the great admiral:

enemy heaving in sight, at which information Nelson evinced the highest satisfaction and gleefully rubbed his As a correspondent of The Times points out, this incident occurred in 1805. Nelson lost his right arm in the attack on Santa Cruz, Tenerife, in 1797 -eight years prior to his pursuit of

"While in chase of Villeneuve's

French fleet he was informed of the

Villeneuve's fleet. It would have been, therefore, a difficult matter for him to "rub his hands" in 1805.

A Genuine Bill, but Split. A few days ago a sensation was caused at Ionia by the discovery of a counterfeit \$100 silver certificate. The bill had local banks and pronounced by him to Washington, and on Monday the Ionia I came into the possession of the cashier and the secret service officer abusive cartoons in the time of Napoleon I, printed while he was yet alive. The retreat of the army from Moscow, that been sent on to redeem it. This is the

> Tree's Root In a Tomb Meehan's Monthly has recorded trees

Pleasant Reading. Some funny requests reach congress

men, but Representative Lacey of Iowa thinks that a letter which he received from a constituent yesterday takes the "Please send me," said the writer,

that are published. I do so like to read

cellent and abandoned—it is high time gone through the writer, some of the attention we have been givesome of the attention we have been givesome of the attention we have been givesome of the attention we have been given by the they must be kent from the control Pacific religion of the control pacific religion. The control pacific religion of the control pacific religion of the control pacific religion. some of the attention we have been given ing to these conspicuous women of the quantities that they must be kept from man. The Central Pacific railroad—two Rooms-50,75 and \$.100. \$25,085.00 in past three years. Confectionaries. Tobacco, &c. Bar & Restaurant Attached. or three men get all the blame if anything goes wrong. There are 10.000 in about dead congressmen!" the water lest they swell up and die. Bible be given to Julia, an ordinary Fresh meats and best of every kind O. A. FOWLER, Manager. woman, amid ordinary duties and meet-Noble H -- handmen. Onancock, Va. Accomac and Northampton.